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Memorandum For:

The Honorable

W.F. Raborn

Director, Central Intelligence Agency

I am enclosing for your information a copy of a memorandum which we have prepared for the Secretary, analyzing available information on the question of Soviet policies toward Vietnam.

We are indebted to CIA for much of the material which was used in preparing this analysis, and because of the sensitive nature of some of the information we have, as you will note, severely limited the distribution of the memorandum to the Secretary's principal advisers within the Department. In all instances we have endeavored to present the information in a way which would not compromise sensitive sources.

The Thomas L. Hughes

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To : The Secretary

Through: S/S

From : INR - Thomas L. Hughes

Subject: Soviet Policies on Vietnam -- Truth and Fiction

in Peking's Charges

Peking's November 11 editorial attack on Moscow asserted there is nothing that unites the (Chinese) Marxists-Leninists with the (Soviet) revisionists and that the antagonism is "irreconcilable." This sweeping statement has broad implications for all aspects of Sino-Soviet relations, and it is of immediate relevance to the Vietnamese situation, for it definitively disposes of the long-standing Soviet call for "united action" by all communists against US "aggression" in Vietnam. Peking's editorial also sought to document the previously advanced Chinese claim that Moscow's actions toward Vietnam are part of a pattern of Soviet collaboration with the US for world domination. We use these most recent Chinese charges of Soviet treachery in Vietnam as the occasion for a review of the evolving Soviet policies toward Vietnam over the past ten

Information available in INR through December 6 has been considered in the preparation of this Memorandum. Certain of the material used requires EXDIS controls, and the use of information from numerous BACKGROUND USE ONLY documents also necessitates strict control over distribution to the Secretary and other senior officials within the Department.

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